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Attorney's Docket No. 015290-457

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re Patent Application of MAIL STOP RCE Jerome S. HUBACEK et al. Group Art Unit: 1763 Application No.: 09/749,916 Examiner: L.A. Mulero Filed: December 29, 2000 Confirmation No.: 6834 **ELECTRODE FOR PLASMA** For: PROCESSES AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURE AND USE THEREOF REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER MAIL STOP RCE Customer No. 2 1 8 3 9 Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [] \$385.00 (2801) [X] \$770.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). 1. [X] A. Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified in item 2 below. Applicant(s) previously submitted the following documents for which continued [] B. examination is requested: Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed Other: 2. The following documents are enclosed with this submission: Amendment/Reply. [X]Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s). Information Disclosure Statement (IDS). [] [X] Petition for Extension of Time.

The fee is calculated below on the basis of the highest number of claims already paid

Small entity status is hereby claimed.

for in this application prior to this submission:

No additional claim fee is required.

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CLAIMS					
	No. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS THUS PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Fee					\$770.00 (1001)
Total Claims	ļ L	MINUS 20 =		× \$18.00 (1202) =	
Independent Claims		MINUS 3 =	<u></u>	× \$86.00 (1201) =	
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$290.00 (1203)					
Total Fee					
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Fee					
TOTAL FEE DUE					-0-

- 4. [] A check in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed for the fee due.
- 5. [X] Charge \$ 770.00 to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.

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6. [] Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least _, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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